



REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/497,591
Filing Date	February 3, 2000
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Group Art Unit	1653
Examiner Name	H. Schnizer
Attorney Docket Number	09531-016001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. Other Petition for Three-Month Extension

3. Fee

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) 04/15/2003 EAREGAY1 00000023 09497591
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17) 750.00 OP
 - iii. Other Any deficiencies 01 FC:1801
- b. Check in the amount of \$ 1,680 enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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The following correspondence relating to this application is enclosed for filing:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE);
2. Amendment and Response After Final;
3. Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time;
4. Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449;
5. Check in the amount of \$1,680 for payment of \$750 filing fee and \$930 extension of time fee; and
6. Return Postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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